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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

## This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application

- 1. (Currently amended) An XIAP oligonucleotide consisting of the base sequence of any one of SEQ ID Nos:1-194. SEQ ID NO:29.
- 2. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 1, wherein said oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified internucleoside linkage.
- 3. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 2, wherein said modified internucleoside linkage is selected form the group consisting of phosphorothioate, methylphosphonate, phosphotriester, phosphorodithioate, and phosphoselenate linkages.
- 4. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 1, wherein said oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified sugar moiety.
- 5. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 4, wherein said modified sugar moiety is a 2'-O methoxyethyl or a 2'-O methyl group.
- 6. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 1, wherein said oligonucleotide is a chimeric oligonucleotide.
- 7. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 6, wherein said chimeric oligonucleotide comprises DNA residues linked together by phosphorothioate linkages, said DNA residues flanked on each side by at least one 2'-O methoxyethyl RNA residue or 2'-O methyl RNA residue linked together by phosphorothicate linkages.
- 8. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 7, wherein said DNA residues are flanked on each side by at least three residues selected from the group consisting of 2'-O methoxyethyl RNA residues and 2'-O methyl RNA residues.

- 9. (original) The oligonucleotide of claim 1, wherein the three most 5' and the three most 3' bases are RNA residues.
- 10. (currently amended) A method of treating a patient diagnosed as having cancer, said method comprising administering to said patient an XIAP oligonucleotide consisting of the base sequence of any one of SEQ ID No:1-194. SEQ ID NO:29.
- (original) The method of claim 10, wherein said oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified internucleoside linkage.
- 12. (original) The method of claim 11, wherein said modified internucleoside linkage is selected form the group consisting of phosphorothioate, methylphosphonate, phosphorodithioate, and phosphoselenate linkages.
- 13. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein said oligonucleotide comprises at least one modified sugar moiety.
- 14. (original) The method of claim 13, wherein said modified sugar moiety is a 2'-O methoxyethyl or a 2'-O methyl group.
- 15. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein said oligonucleotide is a chimeric oligonucleotide.
- 16. (original) The method of claim 15, wherein said chimeric oligonucleotide comprises DNA residues linked together by phosphorothioate linkages, said DNA residues flanked on each side by at least one 2'-O methoxyethyl RNA residue or 2'-O methyl RNA residue linked together by phosphorothioate linkages.
- 17. (original) The method of claim 16, wherein said DNA residues are flanked on each side by at least three residues selected from the group consisting of 2'-O methoxyethyl RNA residues and 2'-O methyl RNA residues.

18. (original) The method of claim 10, wherein the three most 5' and the three most 3' bases are RNA residues.